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people, for a reason. We have not seen fit to do this in other fields, and properly so. And so, I'm simply saying that before we adopt amendments specifically pegging the price at 10¢, we had better think twice. Now if the City Council, and they are aware of these problems believe me, because they have to run for election too. If that City Council decides the fare for the elderly shall be nothing, that's fine, that's their prerogative and if we don't like it we can vote against them the next time they run for office. So I'm simply saying that let's give this some very serious consideration, before in a matter of just a few minutes just deciding the bus fare shall be 10¢.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Stahmer, then Simpson, then Mahoney.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President and members of the body. I think basically the proponents of the measure, plus those who are offering amendments have the good interests of the elderly and the handicapped at heart and I think most of us do and I like to think I do. I would like to state that I was having a bill drafted. And whether it's a bill or an amendment to a bill is a small matter, but in a question of transporting the handicapped, I don't think the 10¢ is really going to accomplish much because most of the handicapped need special types of mini buses that can come to their houses which..... I'd like Senator Carpenter to hear this because I think it's important. I'm not speaking against your ideas Senator Carpenter, I'm trying to explain that when we do something for the handicapped, and I was having a bill drafted, and whether it be an amendment or what have you, and I don't care who gets the credit or whose name is on it, it's beside the point. But I spent one whole afternoon with a handicapped person who lives just two doors away from Holy Name in my parish, and this person can no way possibly can ride any public transportation for 10¢ or any other fare or for free. They need special kinds of mini buses that have hydraulic lifts that can come to their doors. And I think these ought to be provided. If not by the governmental subdivisions offering transportation, then by the local CAP's throughout the state. I think we shouldn't try to help those just in the cities such as Omaha who have these systems, I think we ought to try to help all the people in the state. And as far as the cost goes, if necessary I know Senator Carpenter is not afraid of taxes and neither am I. I'd be in favor of the slight increase in the Corporation Tax, but I think we ought to take care of the elderly, I think we ought to take care of the handicapped, I think we ought to divide the methods to raise the taxation and help the people all through the state whether they happen to be in a city with a mass transit situation or not. And unless you devise a scheme that specifically lay it out where you provide for these mini buses that come to these handicapped peoples door, they will have no transportation. I think this is a very important bill, I'm tremendously interested in seeing that something gets done. It's going to cost some money, but I think these people deserve it. We've helped the handicapped children who are in school and we are helping the elderly. And in the past we haven't done anything for these handicapped or between school age and the elderly age. The only way we can really help them is to vote the money and set up a system where by they got these mini buses that can come and transport them. Otherwise you have accomplished nothing for them in their wheel chairs. This is absolutely what they need.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simpson, then Mahoney.